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A sketch and four pages of information on quays, cranes, railroad tracks, and water depth in the harbor of Ventspils

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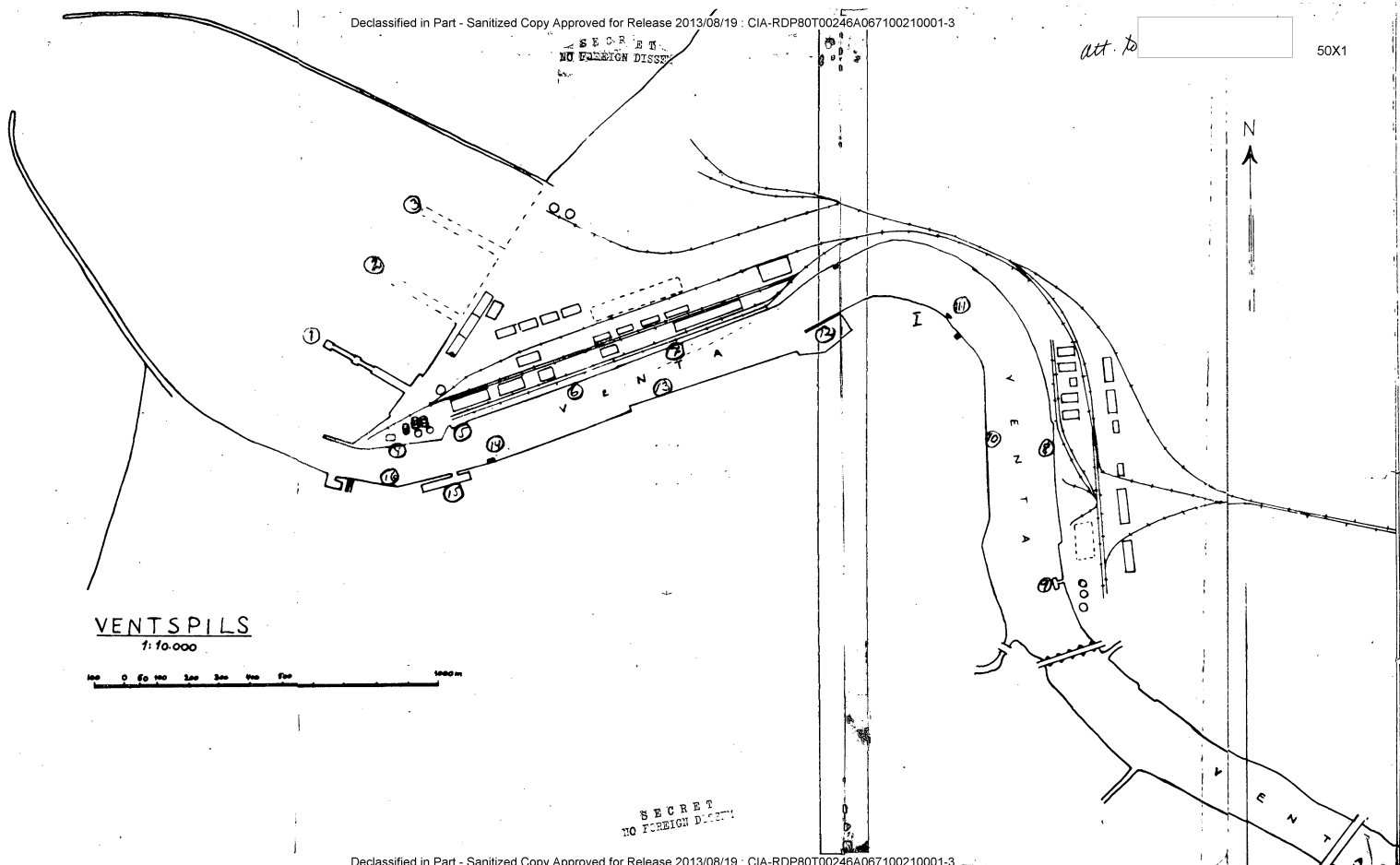
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Attached find sketch + key of quays, cranes, railway tracks, water depth
etc in the harbour of Ventspils.

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nr on sketch	name of quays	length m	breadth m	depth m	Berthing places		Cranes			Railway tracks		Comments
					nrs	grt	nrs	lifting capacity	types	nrs	length	
1.	<u>Oil harbour</u> oil pier	ca 300	ca 25	9-10	2	30.000	1	ca 3 tons	portal (derrick) crane	railway track		Concrete pier. 3 pipe lines on the pier. Broad asphalt and concrete road to the oil harbour. Room for 2 tankers of ca 15.000 tons, one on each side of the pier. On land about 10 cisterns. At the North pier: 2 large cisterns, about 10 m high. Along the shore several new buildings similar to hangars.
2.	planned pier											Work with hammering down steel piles was going on in January 1963.
3.	planned pier											
4.												
5.		ca 50		8	1	5.000						Stony slope with piling. Ca 50 m long wooden quay built out in the water. Bunker place, in communication with oil cisterns through a 6" pipe line. Ca 15 small lying cistern and 1 larger cistern.

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6.	<u>Waiting quay</u> (fish factory quay)	ca 500		8	4	20,000	2	3-5 tons		2		The quay wooden piled. To the west the harbour guard's house. 2 railway tracks. The cranes belong to the fish factory, which factory has about 1.000 employees. Several buildings, among them a cold-storage house, also belong to this factory. In the near a 40 m high water tower.
7.	<u>Export quay</u> (Elevator quay)	ca 450		8	4	20,000	4 4 1	ca 5 tons ca 10 tons grain pipe	el-luf- fing cranes jib cranes, diesel	4		Modern portal cranes on tracks. Ca 12 m between crane posts. Outer track ca 8 m from the edge of the quay. Concrete quay with wooden fenders. Grain silo, brick building i 6 storeys. The quay had been extended in the NE part. The piling seemed to be ready in November 1962.
8.	<u>Import quay</u> (Coal and customs quays)	ca 500		7-8	4	20,000	11	ca 15 tons	diesel, double tracks	5		In October 1962 about 150 m of quay were under construction. Stone- and concrete quay, 5 railway tracks, all above level. At the quay 2 tracks, behind the store house 3 tracks. Store of coal. X towards south.

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9.	Oil quay			ca 7	1	4.000						Behind the nearest quay tracks 5 store houses, behind these 3 railway tracks and behind these 4 more store houses, guard house, cold-storage house, Customs house. At the turn of the river a saw mill and a water tower. The quay area is fenced. Water connection. T-shaped bridge, 2 oil-cisterns.
10.	Western quay	ca 600		ca 5-6?	8	12.000	3	1-2 tons	travers			Slope, in front of which wood constructions have been built. - Possibly pipe line for natural gas. Up till now ships of up to 500 grt have been observed at the quay.
11.	Ferry station											Ferry over the river Venta.
I.												Workshops and small ship yard with slipway.
12.	Ziena Osta (Winterharbour)	ca 275		ca 4	4	4.000						Naval harbour for small warships, f.i. submarine etc. Alternating stone- and wood constructions. 3 100 m long barracks, belonging to the Navy, signal station with signal lamp and radio mast.

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13.	Town quay (Naval harbour)	ca 1.000		ca 7	10	40.000						Wooden quays. Mooring place for warships of destroyer size. Higher up 2 ca 20 m high radio masts.
14.	Ferry station	ca 500		ca 4								Floor for the ferry to the opposite side of the river--Venta.
15.	Fishing harbour	ca 300		2-4								Along the basin an about 2 m broad wooden bridge.
16.	Fishing quay	400		ca 7	4	16.000	4					Small cranes. Piled wooden quay. South fish factory with administration buildings and store halls.
II.	Shipyards											Repair shipyard. Slipway for fishing boats. Machine shop for the repair of motor boat engines.

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